(b) if so, what is Government's reaction to the Bangladesh proposal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Attacks on Indians in USA

314. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY:
SHRI THOMAS KUTHIRAVATTAM:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there were recently a number of racial attacks on Indian community living in U.S.A.;

(b) whether it is a fact that Indians in US resorted to hunger strike due to the attacks on them;

(c) what is the total number of Indians killed; and

(d) whether the Government of India have taken up this matter with the US Government, if so, whether any report from the Indian Consulate General has been obtained?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Indian community leaders in Jersey City threatened to go on hunger strike but did not do so after receiving assurances from the Jersey City authorities.

(c) According to information available, 3 members of the Indian community have been killed since September 1987.

(d) The Indian Missions in Washington and New York took up this matter strongly with the concerned federal and local authorities. The U.S. State Department and the Jersey City Authorities took a number of steps to enhance protection for the Indian community and to bring about social cohesion.

Smuggling of HDW Submarine blue prints to South Africa

315. SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY:
SHRI CHITTA BASU:
PROF. SOURINDRA BHATTACHARJEE:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item published in the Indian Express dated 3rd July, 1988 that Mr. Norbert Gansel, a leading Social Democratic Party member of the West German Parliament, has said in an interview that HDW had sold 95 per cent of blue prints of the submarines built in India to South Africa thereby violating the secrecy clauses in the Indian contact and India as the leader of the non-aligned and anti-apartheid movements did not protest and that the said blue prints were smuggled into South Africa in diplomatic baggage;

(b) if so, what are the details of the interview by Mr. Norbert Gansel;

(c) whether Government have taken any action against the sale of the said blue prints to South Africa; and

(d) if so what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI K. C. PANT): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The Government have seen the newspaper report published in the Indian Express of 3rd July, 1988 relating to the interview given by Mr. Norbert Gansel, a Member of the Social Democratic Party of the Federal Republic of Germany.

(c) and (d) Enquiries have been made by the Government of India with both M/s HDW and the Government of the